giving me the power to cancel the permit. That will be more effective than court punishment. Suppose the conductor or the driver overloads the bus, the money goes to the owner. In many cases he connives with the driver and the conductor.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What is the general procedure adopted for checking buses? Do they not stop at the stations ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—They do stop and the conductor will go up to the station and make an entry in the book kept there for the purpose.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What is the practice?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—That is the practice. The conductor is to go and not the driver.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know what is the practice in Travancore and other places ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I have no idea at all.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is it not for the police to go there ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I have no idea at all.

Stopping of buses in front of Police Stations.

85. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Police Commissioner has ordered that the buses should stop in front of the Police Stations and the drivers should alight and go inside the station to give their signature ;

(b) have they come to know that this procedure causes much inconvenience to the passengers ;

(c) whether there is any such procedure in Vellore or any other place in British India or Travancore ;

(d) what is the exact distance of the Urakam Police Station from the main public road?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) No.

(b) No answer is necessary in view of the answer to (a).

(c) Government are not aware.

(d) About 60 yards.

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